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GOOD NEWS FROM AFRICA.

Transvaal Peace Commission Talks of Situation—What They Desire.

Rome, April 14.—Nothing is known here in corroboration of the report published abroad that Count Von Buelow, the German minister of foreign affairs, had visited the Transvaal peace envoys at Milan and the story is not credited. The Portuguese minister, Senator Carvalho Vasconcellos, however, has gone to that city.

An interview is published here in which Jonkhert Abram Fischer, one of the Transvaal commissioners, is alleged to have declared that the South African republics were willing to make any sacrifice in order to preserve their liberty and independence. They did not wish, he declared, to add to their territory, but merely to retain it and to live peacefully at home. The republics, he continued, had only 25,000 soldiers and Great Britain was exaggerating the numbers to magnify her victories.

The interview then adds: "At this moment Jonkhert Fischer received a telegram and on reading it exclaimed:

"Good news from Africa."

The Transvaal commissioners left Milan for The Hague this afternoon, Dr. Leyds, the diplomatic agent of the Transvaal, accompanying them as far as Brussels.

The Art of War.

To train his soldiers the emperor of Germany has devised a scheme for making the army maneuvers as like as possible to the conditions of actual warfare. Dummies have been made of straw, canvas and old uniforms. They will be set up in mimic forts, and at these real shot and shell will be fired by the soldiers. The Kaiser has evidently been impressed by the feats of American soldiers swimming rivers under fire in the Philippines, for one of the dummies consists in the firing at dummies painted with mustaches and furnished with caps. These heads float in the water and make splendid targets.

Kansas Quail For Connecticut.

Some wealthy sportsmen of Bridgeport, Conn., have sent to Kansas for 60 dozen quail. As soon as the birds arrive they will be taken out in batches and liberated at various points in the surrounding country. They cost \$4 a dozen, and it is expected that when liberated they will be easily able to maintain themselves. Quails mate in April and May. Each pair will produce two broods of 10 or 12 birds each during the summer and early fall. The Bridgeport men think that about 50 per cent of the young will survive, so that in the fall there will be about 3,000 quail to kill when the law is off.

A Genius In Snow Figures.

It is reported that an artistic genius has been discovered at Budapest in the person of a hackney coach driver named Sander Baliko. He had made near his stand a portrait bust of snow which immediately attracted universal attention and admiration by its excellence. Since then the man has modeled in clay a statuette of his little son, who is 5 years of age, which shows equal talent. Perhaps Sander Baliko needs the help of a rich patron to come a celebrated sculptor.—London News.

An Old Woman With Nerve.

A Chicago woman, 83 years old, recently witnessed without pain the amputation of her right leg at the hip. Her condition did not permit the use of an anesthetic, and the nerves in the leg were deadened by the injection of cocaine in the vertebral cavity above the joint where the nerves controlling the lower limbs branch from the spinal cord.

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THE GLASS OF FASHION.

All sorts of openwork stockings are to be seen in all patterns and colors.

Black velvet run into gowns in narrow ribbons is pretty and much used.

Khaki linen gowns have a real value, for the peculiar snuff brown shade will not show the effects of wear.

The hats vary from those with rather stiff rims and high crowns to low flats, and these latter frequently have, after the hat is trimmed, a covering of tulle put over, enveloping them like a veil.

Some effective new waists that are just in are of a heavy, coarse linen, though in delicate shades, and are trimmed with heavy embroidered linen in colors. It is very similar at any rate, to stylish and will be durable.

There are many of the chiffon and other thin material roses and the woman who makes her bonnets at home will find them a boon, for they are pretty and effective. They come at 50 cents, and sometimes less, and from that up to \$2 or \$3 and are almost as big as cabbage.

Now that handkerchiefs are so much used for waists a handkerchief in any form seems to go. A pretty effect is made with one in a simple wash gown. The gown has a wide turn away collar, meeting in points over the bust, and there is knotted as a finish a simple little embroidered linen handkerchief, and it is very pretty.—New York Times.

ORCHARD AND GARDEN.

The most effective pruning is done in the early stages of growth.

Sow or plant onions at the very first favorable opportunity in the spring.

Before going into fruit culture find out what your land is best adapted to produce, and give those varieties the preference.

A small, thrifty tree, with plenty of small, fibrous roots when set out, will be a good bearing tree sooner than a large one with mutilated roots.

With no variety of fruit it is best to have the trees grow tall. They are not only more easily shaken by the wind, but the fruit is harder to gather.

A moderately heavy soil that has been underlain and subsoiled and then carefully worked is capable of producing the heaviest and best crops of fruit.

The advantages of the dwarf pear over the standards are that they come into bearing sooner, the fruit is more easily gathered and the trees are more easily sprayed.

Keep an eye to the future shape of the trees and timely remove small, needless crossing or crooked limbs. This will usually avoid heavy pruning later on.—St. Louis Republic.

His Only Chance.

"I never saw such a man as old Small for running away all the young men that call on his daughters."

"Don't you understand? It is the only chance he has to bully men bigger than he is."—Indianapolis Press.

Purely For Glory.

"Do you expect your son to take honors at college?"

"I want him to, yet, no matter how many honors he gets, I shall object to him playing professionally."—Philadelphia North American.

The Pride of the Neighborhood.

"Any interesting people in this neighborhood?"

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STEPHEN CRANE'S ILLNESS.

American Author at the Point of Death in England.

LONDON, April 14.—Poor Stephen Crane, who is lying at the point of death here, for the past year, been occupying one of the oldest houses in England. It is situated in the loveliest part of Sussex and is owned by Morton Frewin. It is called Brude Place and was built in 1400. In reality it is a miniature castle. There, with straw lined over the stone floor, with huge old fireplaces burning brightly and with everything as in feudal times, the man who wrote "The Red Badge of Courage" has been turning out books and magazines with great industry.

Though perhaps of all Americans in England, no one in English literary circles is spoken of more lovingly and admiringly than the author whose career threatens to end before he reaches his thirtieth year. His wife is with him.

Marion Wants Railroad.

Marion, Ala., April 14.—Steps have been taken to secure the construction of a railroad through this place. Captain John flowze, chairman of the citizens' railroad committee, has appointed a committee of business men to attend a meeting of the board of directors of the Birmingham, Selma and New Orleans railroad, to be held in Selma April 17, to confer with said directors with a view of ascertaining if this line can be induced to come to Marion, with a possible extension and interconnection with other lines in the mineral belt as an objective point.

Weekly Bank Statement.

New York, April 14.—The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Surplus reserve, increase, \$3,450,475; loans, increase, \$7,106,200; specie, increase, \$5,487,800; legal tenders, increase, \$516,400; deposits, increase, \$11,822,000; circulation, increase, \$455,400. The banks now hold \$10,050,275 in excess of the requirements.

Women forgive injuries, but never forget slights.

Call for State Convention.

Call for a State Democratic convention to be held at Jacksonville, Fla., Tuesday, April 18, 1900.

The democratic party of the state of Florida will hold a convention at Jacksonville, Fla., on Tuesday, June 19, at 12 noon, for the following purposes:

To choose delegates to represent the state in the national democratic convention to be held at Kansas City, Mo., July 4, 1900; to nominate candidates for the offices of Governor, one Justice of the Supreme Court, a Secretary of State, Attorney-General, Comptroller, Treasurer, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Commissioner of Agriculture, a Railroad Commissioner for the term of four years, four Presidential Electors and four alternates, to be voted for at the next regular state election, and to transact such other business as may come before the convention.

The different counties in the state will send delegates to the convention upon the following basis of representation: One delegate for each one hundred votes cast for the candidate of the state ticket who received the highest number of votes at the general election of 1896, and one additional vote for the fraction in excess thereof, when it amounts to fifty or more. The committee has also allowed additional representation where the vote was increased at the election of 1896 in any county for state officers. The counties under this rule will be entitled to representation as follows:

Alachua	14	Leon	14
Bradford	6	Levy	6
Baker	2	Liberty	2
Brevard	2	Madison	2
Calhoun	2	Marion	2
Citrus	2	Monroe	2
Clay	2	Nassau	2
Columbia	4	Orange	4
Dade	4	Ocala	4
Duval	4	Polk	4
Escambia	11	St. Johns	11
Franklin	2	St. Louis	2
Gadsden	2	Santa Rosa	2
Hamilton	4	Sumter	4
Hernando	2	Suwannee	2
Hillsboro	2	Tallahassee	2
Holmes	2	Volusia	2
Jackson	6	Wakulla	6
Jefferson	14	Washington	14
Lafayette	2		
Lake	2		
Lee	2		

The counties will select their delegates in any manner which may be considered best by the people acting through the party organizations as recognized by the last state convention. All delegates are invited to participate in the selection of delegates to the convention, including those who have become qualified to vote since the last election.

The chairman and secretary of each county convention held for the purpose of selecting delegates to the state convention are requested to send to Hon. W. A. Ravis, chairman, Tallahassee, Fla., a written or printed copy of the proceedings of the county convention, together with a list of the names of the county executive committee, in which should be designated the chairman and secretary of such committee.

W. A. RAVIS, Chairman.

J. C. COOPER, Secretary.

CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION

For the First Congressional District.

Call for a democratic convention of the first congressional district of the state of Florida, to be held at Tallahassee, Florida, Wednesday, May 31, A. D. 1900.

The democratic party of the first congressional district of the state of Florida, will hold a congressional convention at Tallahassee, on Wednesday, May 31st, at 12 o'clock, for the purpose of nominating candidates for congress from said district to the fifty-seventh congress of the United States, to be voted for at the next election, and to transact such other business as may come before a convention.

The different counties in the district will send delegates to the convention upon the following basis of representation: One delegate for each 100 votes cast for the candidate for congress in said district at the election of 1896, and one additional vote for the fraction in excess thereof, when it amounts to fifty or more. The committee has also allowed additional representation where the vote for congress was increased at the election of 1896 in any county. The counties under this rule will be entitled to representation as follows:

Calhoun	2	Citrus	2
Duval	2	Escambia	2
Franklin	2	Gadsden	2
Hernando	2	Hillsborough	2
Jefferson	2	Jackson	2
Levy	2	Leon	2
Liberty	2	Madison	2
Marion	2	Monroe	2
Nassau	2	Orange	2
Polk	2	St. Johns	2
Tallahassee	2	Taylor	2
Washington	2	Wakulla	2

The counties will select their delegates in any manner which may be considered best by the people acting through the party organizations as recognized by the last congressional convention. All delegates are invited to participate in the selection of delegates thereto, including those who have become qualified to vote since the last election.

The chairman and secretary of each county convention held for the purpose of selecting delegates to the first congressional convention are requested to send to W. B. Henderson, chairman, Tampa, Florida, a written or printed copy of the proceedings of such county conventions, together with a list of the names of the county executive committee, in which should be designated the chairman and secretary of such committee.

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